



Newcomer Transition Guidelines

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1. Travel Guidelines:

- Ensure that you have your passport, your Military ID/Common Access Card, your DA Form 31 (Leave Form), and your orders with you when you travel. Do not put them in your luggage. They must be carried with you on the plane.
- Household goods take approximately 60 days to arrive in Germany. There is temporary Government furniture available to those living on base.
- Vehicles being shipped overseas take approximately 45 days to arriving Germany depending on where they are being shipped from.
- Baumholder is a small community. Living on base everything is within a 1-2 mile walking radius.

2. Family Travel. Soldiers who desire to travel together with their family to Germany for a “with dependents tour” must request concurrent family travel through their post reassignments section. The reassignments section then forwards this request to the gaining overseas command (HQ, U. S. Army Europe) for approval. This ensures adequate housing, medical care and educational facilities are available to accommodate assigned Soldiers and dependents. The request must be processed and a travel decision received from the gaining command before dependents are allowed to travel to the overseas area. Turnaround time for travel decisions range from 1 – 4+ weeks depending on the assignment location and accommodations needed. Please note that your post reassignment section does not control this process and therefore cannot guarantee a speedy turnaround. There is no exception to this requirement. Soldier travel will not be delayed pending receipt of a travel decision from U. S. Army Europe – and a Soldier may be required to travel separate from his family if he has not yet received approval for family travel. Soldiers must submit the following forms as part of their family travel request for forwarding to the overseas command:

- DA Form 4787R – Reassignment Processing
- DA Form 4036R – Medical and Dental Preparation for Overseas Movement (this form must be completed and signed by Army medical personnel).
- DA Form 5121R – Overseas Tour Election Statement
- Anti-Terrorism Briefing Certificate
- DA Form 5888R – Family Member Deployment Screening Sheet (this form must be signed by EFMP coordinator).
- DA Form 7246-R - Exceptional Family Member Screening Form (if warranted by family member medical conditions).



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- Depending on the specific needs of your family, additional information may be requested by the overseas command. Please note that travel decisions for EFMP generally take longer to process.

3. Requesting Command Sponsorship. Soldiers who travel to and arrive in Germany without their family and then desire to bring them into the command can request command sponsorship. The U. S. Army will pay for travel and shipment of household goods for families approved for command sponsorship. Command sponsorship requests include the following documents or forms:

- DA Form 4187 signed by company commander (with family members address outside of Germany) and DA Form 4187-R endorsement signed by Battalion Commander.
- Memorandums from Finance, Transportation and Housing.
- Marriage Certificate/Birth Certificates (if applicable)
- Court Documents (if stepchildren)
- Assignment orders (bringing you to 64th and to Baumholder)
- DA Form 5888 (medical screening done in USA)
- 4001-R Work Sheet
- ERB/ORB (S1 provides)
- Extension or Reenlistment (if applicable). You must have enough time in service to complete 36 month "With Dependents Tour", before Soldier can bring family overseas.

4. Pet Guidelines: There are travel restrictions on pets coming to Germany. Please contact the Baumholder Veterinary Service prior to departing the U.S. if you have a dog which may be considered a "dangerous dog" (see "Services" then "Baumholder Services" links on the USAG Baumholder website for contact information). Pets must have a rabies shot not less than 30 days and no more than 12 months prior to the arrival date. In addition the pet must have a health certificate from a veterinarian that is no more than 9 days old.

5. Reference Links:

- U. S. Army Garrison Baumholder Website: <http://www.baumholder.army.mil/sites/local/>
- 1-6 IN BN vFRG Website: <https://www.armyfrg.org>
- HQ U. S. Army Europe Website: www.hqusareur.army.mil